

# RIVER RUN

Young River People's Council

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## RIVER CLEAN-UP WITH EPNR

On July 19 Youth Council collaborated with EPNR to clean up the Salt River . It was so much fun and the weather was really nice and not so hot. Nalani, Victor, Caleb and I paddled down the river in canoes while everyone else floated down in tubes. We went with a firefighter and he made the experience better, he was very funny and helped us control the canoe. There wasn't a lot of trash, which was good. This activity allowed us to get to know the EPNR staff. We appreciate all they did to make this event successful.

-Chloe Johnson

## KEEPING THE COMMUNITY SAFE EVENT AT WOLF

On the 17th of July YRPC participated in the Keeping The Community Safe event for the REC summer camp at WOLF. The YRPC gave a presentation on substance abuse and how to stay drug free. The presentation focused mainly around what their knowledge of drugs was and how to stay away from that path of life. Our presentation also explained the detrimental consequences that substance abuse could have on their relationships, families, mental health and future goals. We took this opportunity to push our "Tradition Not Addiction" platform and explained how the youth could use our himdag (way of life) to live a safe and healthy life.

- Alyssa Andrews





## QUARTERLY COUNCIL MEETING

On July 24th, Council called upon the YRPC to take their seats and conduct the YRPC meeting. The quarterly presentation to Council was favored by all YRPC members. during the presentation, we reported on goals, upcoming meetings and activities. I reported on the River Clean-up event. I was a little nervous to present in front of Council and the Community. This was a great opportunity for me to experience. I think the meeting went well. We are thankful to our Tribal Council for giving us this experience.

- Nate Dallas

## YRPC VISITS SALT RIVER REPOSITORY AND THE PUEBLO GRANDE MUSEUM

On July 23rd, Dre and I got the chance to tour the Pueblo Grand Museum and Salt River's Repository. The repository was very interesting, it was filled with many different forms of O'odham and Piipaash art and history. My favorite part of the repository was all the different baskets that they had, it was also weird to realize that the events they record now will one day be historic. The Pueblo Grande Museum had a lot of emphasis on the Hohokam and it was interesting to learn their history and to see our culture from a non-tribal perspective.

- Sommer Lopez



## Upcoming Events

- August 15th- Executive Meeting 4pm at Two Waters
- August 15th YRPC Meeting 5pm at Two Waters
- August 29th- Executive Meeting at 4pm at Two Waters
- August 29th- YRPC Meeting at 5pm at Two Waters
- Sept. 12th- Executive Meeting at 4pm at Two Waters
- Sept. 12th- YRPC Meeting at 5pm at Two Waters

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